SB165 L.002

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT Committee on Education.

<u>SB13-165</u> be amended as follows:

1	Amend	printed bill,	page 2,	strike lines	8 through	10	and	substitute
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2	"(2) It is therefore in the best interest of the state to direct the
3	department of higher education to contract for an independent needs
4	assessment to identify gaps in the two- and four-year degree programs
5	and adult basic education programs offered throughout the state and to
6	work with institutions of higher education to address those needs.".

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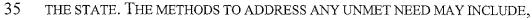
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8 "23-1-132. Commission directive - statewide needs assessment 9 - community colleges - baccalaureate degree program approval. 10 (1) (a) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONTRACT FOR AN INDEPENDENT NEEDS 11 ASSESSMENT OF ACCESS TO TWO- AND FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PROGRAMS 12 AND ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE STATE, 13 WHICH NEEDS ASSESSMENT MUST BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 1, 2013. 14 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY PROVIDE DATA TO THE 15 CONTRACTOR CONCERNING WORKFORCE AND STUDENT DEMAND FOR 16 SPECIFIC DEGREE PROGRAMS. IN CONDUCTING THE ASSESSMENT, AT A 17 MINIMUM, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL IDENTIFY:

- CONSUMER DEMAND, BY PROGRAM AND GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION, FOR TWO- AND FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PROGRAMS AND ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS, AND WHETHER THAT DEMAND IS BEING MET THROUGH THE HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEM; AND
- (II) ADDITIONAL TWO- AND FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PROGRAMS AND ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS NEEDED TO SUPPORT COLORADO EMPLOYERS AND POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS.
- (b) THE COMMISSION SHALL PROVIDE THE COMPLETED ASSESSMENT TO THE STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-1-136 (9), C.R.S.
- (2) BASED UPON THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT, THE COMMISSION SHALL COLLABORATE WITH THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO DETERMINE HOW BEST TO ADDRESS ANY UNMET NEEDS IN TWO- AND FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PROGRAMS AND ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO QUALITY PROGRAMS FOR ALL STUDENTS IN





BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, TRANSFER AGREEMENTS, PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS, AND APPROVAL OF TECHNICAL, CAREER AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS IN THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM.

- (3) IF THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT INDICATES THAT ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL, CAREER AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS ARE NEEDED, THE FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL HAVE THE OPTION TO OFFER THOSE DEGREE PROGRAMS INDEPENDENTLY OR THROUGH A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM. IF A FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION DOES NOT CHOOSE TO OFFER THE TECHNICAL, CAREER AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS, THEN THE STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "STATE BOARD", MAY SUBMIT A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAM TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION.
- (4) FOR THOSE TECHNICAL, CAREER AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS THAT A FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION DOES NOT CHOOSE TO OFFER, THE COMMISSION MAY APPROVE BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS TO BE OFFERED IN THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM. IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS, IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO APPROVE A TECHNICAL, CAREER AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAM, THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER:
- (a) THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT RELATING TO THE TECHNICAL, CAREER AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAM AND THE DATA DEMONSTRATING WORKFORCE AND STUDENT DEMAND FOR THE DEGREE PROGRAM:
- (b) THE REGIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEGREE PROGRAM, IF APPLICABLE, AND COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE REQUIREMENTS, AS APPROPRIATE, AT BOTH THE INSTITUTIONAL AND PROGRAM LEVELS; AND
- (c) WHETHER THE STATE BOARD CAN DEMONSTRATE THAT PROVIDING THE DEGREE PROGRAM WITHIN THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM IS COST-EFFECTIVE.".
- Page 5, strike lines 1 through 5.

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